

October 21, 2003

**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Attorney Docket Number: 074913.0105  
First Named Inventor: Jun Takeda et al.  
Title: Optical Fiber Splicing Instrument With Shutter

TO: **MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Attached are the following for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form
2. ☒ Specification - Total Pages: 19 (Including Abstract)

CLAIMS AS FILED						
	Claims Filed	Basic Fee Claims	Extra	Rate		Amount
				Large Entity	Small Entity	
Total Claims	14	20	0	\$ 18.00	\$ 9.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	1	3	0	\$ 86.00	\$ 43.00	\$0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims				\$ 290.00	\$ 145.00	\$0.00
BASIC FEE				\$ 770.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 770.00
TOTAL FILING FEE						\$ 770.00

3. ☒ Drawings - Total Sheets: 19 (Fig(s). 1-19)
4. Oath or Declaration - Total Pages: 2
  - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)  
☐ New (unexecuted)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
    - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(s):  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application.
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is marked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
- b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies
8. ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Form
9. ☐ 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 and References
- ☐ Copies of Information Disclosure Statement Citations
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
14. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s) ☐ Independent Inventor
- ☐ Small Business Concern
- ☐ Non-Profit Organization
- ☐ Statement Filed in Prior Application; Status Still Proper and Desired
15. ☒ Foreign Priority is Claimed as Follows:  
**Japanese Patent Application No. 2002/309934 filed on October 24, 2002**
- ☒ If Foreign Priority is Claimed, Certified Copy of the Above Priority Document(s) is Submitted Herewith
16. ☒ Other: **Application Data Sheet**
17. ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-Part of  
Prior Application No.: \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Complete Application Based on Provisional Application No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
filed \_\_\_\_\_

18. ☒ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is as follows:
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Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures



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FEE TRANSMITTAL [MAIL STOP APPLICATIONS]		Complete If Known				
		Application No.		To be assigned		
		Filing Date		October 15, 2003		
		First Named Inventor		Jun Takeda <u>et al.</u>		
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FEE CALCULATION						
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